

Resolution Introduced by Senator Eugene McCarthy - 12 May 1966

That there is hereby created a select committee to be known as the Committee on Intelligence Operations and to consist of nine Senators, of whom three shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations from among the members of that committee, three shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services from among the members of that committee, and three shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations from among the members of that committee. No more than two of the members appointed from each such said committee shall be from the same political party. The Chairman of the Select Committee shall be elected by the members.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Intelligence Operations to keep itself fully and completely informed of the activities of the Central Intelligence Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Bureau of Intelligence and Research of the Department of State, and other agencies of the Government (including but not limited to the Federal Bureau of Investigation) insofar as the activities of such agencies relate to foreign intelligence or counter-intelligence. The committee's duties shall include, but not be limited to, review of the budgets and appropriations for intelligence and counter-intelligence activities and legislative oversight of the coordination of such activities among the various agencies concerned and with the foreign

policy of the United States.

Sec. 3. The committee, or any duly authorized subcommittee thereof, is authorized to sit and act at such places and times during the sessions, recesses, and adjourned periods of the Senate, to hold such hearings, to require by subpoena or otherwise the attendance of such witnesses and the production of such books, papers, and documents, to administer such oaths, to take such testimony, and to make such expenditures as it deems advisable.

Sec. 4. A majority of the members of the committee, or any subcommittee thereof, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except that a lesser number, to be fixed by the committee, shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of taking sworn testimony.

Sec. 5. The committee shall have power to employ and fix the compensation of such officers, experts, and employees as it deems necessary in the performance of its duties. The committee is authorized to utilize the services, information, facilities, and personnel of the various departments and agencies of the Government.

Sec. 6. The committee shall take special care to safeguard information affecting the national security.

Sec. 7. The expenses of the committee shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers approved by the Chairman.